

House Bill 871

By: Representatives Crawford of the 16th, Jamieson of the 28th, Buckner of the 130th, Reece of the 11th, Porter of the 143rd, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to Quality Basic Education, so as to provide for program weights to fund licensed driver training instructors in high schools; to change certain provisions relating to grants for driver education courses for secondary school students; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to Quality Basic Education, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"20-2-184.2.

All program weights, when multiplied by the base amount, shall reflect sufficient funds to pay the beginning salary for at least one certified professional who is a licensed driver training instructor for an appropriate base size high school pursuant to Code Section 20-2-181 and to provide such equipment as essential to support an instructional program authorized under Code Section 20-2-151.1 and subsection (b) of Code Section 43-13-10, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly."

SECTION 2.

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-257, relating to grants for driver education courses for secondary school students, as follows:

"20-2-257.

~~The State Board of Education shall provide public secondary schools and local school systems with grants, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly and pursuant to applications made at the discretion of such systems. The purpose of such grants shall be to support motor vehicle driver education courses and programs for secondary school students. The amount of such grants shall be reflective of the most recent counts of age 15;~~

~~16, and 17 year old secondary school students in the public schools or local school systems.
The public schools or local school systems receiving such grants may expend these funds
only for purposes of providing driver education courses or programs to secondary school
students. Such courses or programs may be provided directly by the local school system
or by contract with a private driver education school licensed by Department of Public
Safety. Such grants shall be supplemental to any other provision of state funds for such
driver education courses or programs. The state board shall prescribe criteria, policies, and
standards deemed necessary for the effective implementation of this Code section.~~
Reserved."

SECTION 3.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.